

**FISCAL YEAR 2012
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM
ELIGIBLE PRACTICE LIST
Ranking Category–Tribal ¹⁸**

Conservation Practice	Conservation Practice Name	Reporting Units
Structural and Vegetative Practices		
314	Brush Management ¹	Acre
315	Herbaceous Weed Control ¹	Acre
317	Composting Facility ¹²	No.
332	Contour Buffer Strips	Acre
338	Prescribed Burning	Acre
340	Cover Crop	Acre
342	Critical Area Planting	Acre
350	Sediment Basin	No.
351	Well Decommissioning	No.
356	Dike	Ft.
362	Diversion	Ft.
378	Pond (\$6,000/no. payment-rate cap)	No.
380	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment	Acre
382	Fence ¹⁵	Ft.
386	Field Border	Ft.
391	Riparian Forest Buffer	Acre
393	Filter Strip	Acre
394	Firebreak	Ft.
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	No.
412	Grassed Waterway	Acre
441	Irrigation System, Microirrigation ²	No. and Acre
462	Precision Land Forming	Acre
466	Land Smoothing	Acre
468	Lined Waterway or Outlet	Ft.
484	Mulching	Acre
490	Tree/Shrub Site Preparation	Acre
512	Forage and Biomass Planting	Acre
516	Pipeline	Ft.
521A	Pond Sealing and Lining–Flexible Membrane	No.
521B	Pond Sealing and Lining–Soil Dispersant	No.
521C	Pond Sealing and Lining–Bentonite Sealant	No.
521D	Pond Sealing and Lining–Clay Treatment	No.
533	Pumping Plant ³	No.
550	Range Planting	Acre
561	Heavy Use Area Protection ¹¹	Acre
574	Spring Development	No.
578	Stream Crossing	No.
580	Streambank and Shoreline Protection	Ft.
587	Structure for Water Control	No.
589C	Cross Wind Trap Strips	Acre
600	Terrace	Ft.
603	Herbaceous Wind Barrier	Ft.
606	Subsurface Drain	Ft.
612	Tree/Shrub Establishment	Acre

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614	Watering Facility ¹⁰	No.
620	Underground Outlet	Ft.
638	Water and Sediment Control Basin	No.
642	Water Well	No.
645	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management ¹⁷	Acre
650	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation	Acre
656	Constructed Wetland	Acre
657	Wetland Restoration	Acre
658	Wetland Creation	Acre
666	Forest Stand Improvement	Acre
Management Practices		
328	Conservation Crop Rotation ^{7, 8}	Acre
329	Residue and Tillage Management, No-Till/Strip-Till/Direct Seed ^{4, 7}	Acre
345	Residue and Tillage Management, Mulch-Till ^{4, 7}	Acre
346	Residue and Tillage Management, Ridge-Till ^{4, 7}	Acre
472	Access Control ⁵	Acre
528	Prescribed Grazing ^{6, 7}	Acre
585	Stripcropping ⁷	Acre
590	Nutrient Management ⁷	Acre
595	Integrated Pest Management ^{7, 16}	Acre
633	Waste Recycling ⁷	Acre
644	Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management ^{13, 14}	Acre
645	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management ^{7, 9}	Acre
<p>¹ Broadcast and aerial treatment will be eligible <u>only</u> where mechanical or spot treatment is not practical. If broadcast or aerial treatment is needed, justification will be documented in the producer's case file. This practice is not eligible on cropland.</p> <p>² Practice eligible for payment for use with tree and shrub plantings associated with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) electronic Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG) Conservation Practices 380, 612 and 650.</p> <p>³ Practice is eligible for a solar pump to be used for the purpose of pumping water from a water body in order to remove livestock from the water body (e.g., pond or stream). Practice is also eligible on new wells.</p> <p>⁴ This practice will be installed for the entire crop rotation or contract length, whichever is longer. A minimum three-crop type rotation will be installed.</p> <p>⁵ Practice is eligible for management payment <u>only</u> where livestock are excluded for 12 consecutive months and followed by two years of prescribed grazing. Conservation Practices 472 and 528 will not be applied for incentive on the same acres in the same year.</p> <p>⁶ Two payment rates have been set: (1) Requires at least 30 to 73 percent deferment during the growing season, AND (2) Requires > 73 percent deferment during the growing season.</p> <p>⁷ Practice will be implemented a minimum of three years. Payment will be made upon annual implementation of the practice.</p> <p>⁸ Payment for Conservation Practice 328 is not eligible on the same acres where payment is being received for Conservation Practices 329, 345, or 346.</p> <p>⁹ Management payment to develop habitat for Greater Prairie-Chicken requires all acres to be burned in the treatment unit only one out of three years. The payment is eligible from a north-south line from Washington County to Cowley County and all counties east thereof. Burning shall not occur between May 1 and July 31.</p>		

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10	Wildlife escape ramps are required.
11	Practice is eligible for the purpose of providing suitable livestock entry points to water bodies and for the installation of gravel or concrete around a watering facility. Permanent fencing is required in this practice to exclude livestock access from unsuitable entry points to the water body.
12	Practice must be part of a Nutrient Management Plan that is developed prior to payment for this practice. For imported waste, the payment is limited to the storage needed for the contracted waste.
13	Water Level Manipulations —this practice will be used ONLY after installation of Conservation Practice 587 in a constructed, enhanced, or restored wetland/shallow water area. <u>Drawdowns</u> will be completed in one of the three seasons annually: Early —March 15 through May 1; Mid-season —May 1 through July 15 or Late —after July 15. Water levels should: (1) be reduced slowly to increase annual vegetation diversity, AND (2) have no more than 25 percent of the flooded area remaining saturated/flooded after drawdown is complete. <u>Reflooding</u> shall begin no later than August 15 and be completed gradually with all boards/stop logs installed by November 15 of that year. This practice is not eligible on rangeland.
14	Vegetation Management will be completed annually to provide optimum food and structure for migratory birds. This practice will include herbaceous weed control, brush management, prescribed burning, and mechanical disturbances to create desirable migratory bird habitat, control trees and brush, and/or control other undesirable vegetation annually within the flooded areas ONLY. <u>Disking</u> will be completed on at least 25 percent of the flooded or saturated areas AND will be completed no fewer than two times in three years. Disking will be completed January 1 through April 1 and/or after July 15 through August 15 OR after drawdowns are complete and before reflooding begins for wetland with water control structures. Disking will be completed to a depth appropriate to achieve the desired response. Conservation Practices 644 and 645 will not be paid for on the same acres in the same year. This practice is not eligible on rangeland.
15	Financial assistance available for cross fences and perimeter/boundary fences. Perimeter/boundary fences are only eligible around expired/expiring Conservation Reserve Program fields. Prior to beginning design on any perimeter/boundary fence scheduled for financial assistance, a participant shall provide assurances of legal property line locations AND agreements with adjoining landowners. As a minimum, this may include a notarized agreement with adjoining landowners regarding location and maintenance; notarized agreement with township, county, or state in the case of road right of ways; and/or a legal survey. Expenses for legal surveys and agreements are the responsibility of the participant. Failure to provide needed documentation of location and agreement with adjoining landowners may result in contract termination.
16	This practice shall not be used to treat herbaceous or deciduous plants through the use of chemical applications. This practice is for cropland use only.
17	Fence markers installed on existing fences for Prairie-Chicken.
18	Additional limitations may be outlined in the forthcoming payment schedule.